

velop us. And whether we work together or separate for these things it in no wise does away with incentive.

But you might say there will be no chance to become millionaires under socialism, as large fortunes are always acquired through ownership of large enterprises. Yes, this is true. But you must remember that this system that breeds millionaires also breeds paupers and tramps, and it is a good deal better that nearly all should have enough than that we should have these undesirable citizens. Take a hog, for instance. He knows enough to lie down when he gets enough, but the millionaire never.

The incentive for a few men to become worse than a hog is a poor incentive. The incentive that holds out hope for all to acquire enough is far better. The reporting agencies tell us that over nine out of ten men fail in business under the present system. The incentive it offers is to a few and weak for the many.

Socialism offers incentive to all and a plenty. The defenders of capitalism are presuming on the dense ignorance of the masses when they trot out incentive as their leading objection. If that is the best they can do they better shut up shop.—D. F. Sweetland.

NO FREEDOM.—F. J. Kelly has been "told by several friends to cease reading *The Day Book* as it is inclined to be anti-Catholic." Catholics surrender their freedom and give and take such orders without question. Other Americans prefer to read an opponent to see what scrap of truth he may have. Catholic leaders are afraid of this, so hand down orders like this from Letters of Leo XIII., page 193: "Union of minds requires complete submission and obedience of will to the Roman pontiff." On Duties as Citizens, page 194: "What we are bound to believe, and obliged to do, are laid down by the pontiff."

Let Mr. Kelly show that such obedience makes good citizens.—Guardian.

THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW.—Amidst the hysterical outcry directed against the so-called fake (?) 8-hour day by the railroads and the kept press, the real facts underlying the historic-economic movement for the 8-hour day seems to have been obscured; logically by its opponents, and very peculiarly by its advocates. Hence a few quotations taken from one of the world's foremost masters of economic science, pertinent to wages and hours, should be enlightening and profitable.

Karl Marx in "Value, Price and Profit": "In their (workers) attempts at reducing the working day to its former rational dimensions, or, where they cannot enforce a legal fixation of a normal working day, at checking overwork by a rise of wages, a rise not only in proportion to the surplus time exacted, but in a greater proportion, working men fulfil only a duty to themselves and their race. They (workers) only set limits to the tyrannical usurpations of capital."

It is a historic fact that no ruling class ever relinquished advantages accruing to them without the bitterest and most relentless opposition. It, therefore, behooves the working man to shake his skull wherein encased is an atrophied brain in a sincere and earnest effort to see through the hysterical and emotional conception of economics, to a clear and scientific understanding based on facts.

After we have all indulged in fantasy, hysteria, romance, and developed a serious malady called "economic astigmatism, to cure this disease we should strike, by occasional visits to a real, scientific, economic oculist, who can furnish us, providing we care to assume some of the intellectual responsibilities, with a pair of first-class spectacles which will